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SUBJ: TRAVEL OF SMITHSONIAN INSTITUTION SUPPORT FACILITY STUDY
GROUP

1. AS PART OF A PROGRAM TO DEVELOP NEW FACILITIES FOR THE
STORAGE OF MUSEUM COLLECTIONS AND LABORATORY RESEARCH, A SUPPORT
FACILITY STUDY GROUP IS VISITING VARIOUS EUROPEAN FACILITIES TO
EXAMINE METHODS OF WAREHOUSING, STORAGE, AND RETRIEVAL OF SPECIMENS
WITH EMPHASIS ON NEW AND INNOVATIVE TECHNIQUES. THIS
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VISIT WILL TAKE PLACE FROM JANUARY 7 THRU JANUARY 30, 1975.

2. THE FOLLOWING STAFF MEMBERS OF THE SMITHSONIAN'S NATIONAL MUSEUM OF NATURAL HISTORY MAKE UP THE GROUP: DR. W. DONALD DUCKWORTH, CURATOR, DEPT. OF ENTOMOLOGY; DR. DIETER C. WASSHAUSEN, ASSOCIATE CURATOR, DEPT. OF BOTANY; MR. FREDERICK J. COLLIER, COLLECTIONS MANAGER, DEPT. OF PALEOBIOLOGY.

3. DR. PORTER KIER, DIRECTOR OF THE NATIONAL MUSEUM OF NATURAL HISTORY, HAS CORRESPONDED WITH RESEARCH FACILITIES TO SET UP APPOINTMENTS FOR THE STUDY GROUP.

4. MR. FREDERICK COLLIER HAS RECENTLY BEEN HOSPITALIZED, BUT STILL PLANS TO PARTICIPATE IN THIS TRIP. THE GROUP MAY REQUEST EMBASSY ASSISTANCE IF MR. COLLIER WERE TO BECOME ILL AGAIN. SMI WOULD APPRECIATE ANY ASSISTANCE WHICH MAY BE EXTENDED TO THE STUDY GROUP. KISSINGER

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